

PROPOSED CLAIM CHANGES
FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY

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1. ([REDACTED]) A compression journal comprising:
 - at least two semi-circular segments;
 - a cylindrical shaft having said semi-circular segments positioned around said shaft;
 - at least one air gap positioned circumferentially between two of the semi-circular segments; and
 - means, positioned around the outside of said semi-circular segments, for maintaining physical contact and electrical contact between said semi-circular segments and said cylindrical shaft.

8. ([REDACTED]) A rotary joint comprising:
 - a rotor assembly having a housing and a shaft extending outward from a center portion thereof;
 - a stator assembly having a cylindrical opening for receiving said shaft of said rotor assembly, the housing of said rotor assembly being secured within a housing of said stator assembly;
 - a cavity in said stator assembly for receiving at least two semi-circular segments positioned around said shaft of said rotor assembly;
 - at least one air gap positioned circumferentially between the two semi-circular segments; and
 - means positioned around the outside of said semi-circular segments for maintaining physical contact and electrical contact between said semi-circular segments and said shaft of said rotor assembly.